

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Volunteer Program

Building a Community of Park Stewards



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Cuyahoga Valley National Park Habitat Restoration Volunteer Opportunities

Peninsula, Ohio (Monday, May 7, 2012) – Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park are pleased to announce the kick-off of the inaugural Habitat Restoration season. Beginning May 10, 2012, CVNP will host regularly scheduled opportunities for volunteers to participate in habitat restoration projects throughout the park. Volunteers are invited to help park staff in an effort to restore natural areas and preserve the health of native wildlife and plants. Projects include planting native vegetation, collecting seeds from native plants, and removing exotic plants that have become invasive. Invasive plants threaten ecosystems by choking native vegetation of space, sunlight, and nutrients, and by replacing vital food sources for the park's wildlife.

- **Remove exotic plants:** second Thursday, 1 - 4 p.m. and fourth Saturday, 9 a.m.- noon (May - November)
- **Collect seeds from native plants:** every Tuesday 1 - 4 p.m. (August - October)
- **Plant a butterfly garden:** June 16, 2012, 9 a.m. - noon

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Volunteers are welcome to attend one program or all. No long-term commitment or experience necessary. Advanced registration is recommended and required for groups of 5 or more. These are family friendly events open to ages 7 and up. For locations, registration, and other details – including additional dates throughout the year – visit www.nps.gov/cuva and click SUPPORT YOUR PARK, call 330-657-2299, or email volunteer@forcvnp.org.

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Volunteer Program is co-managed by the National Park Service and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. To learn about volunteer opportunities please visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2299.

About Cuyahoga Valley National Park

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or www.dayinthevalley.com or call 330-657-2752 or 800-257-9477.

About the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a non-profit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about the Conservancy and its programs, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2909.

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